Council Proceedings.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, July 18, 1887

The City Council met at the usual hour. Present—Mayor Cowan (in the chair), Alds Taylor, Jarvis, McDonald, Moule, Hook, Moore, Geo. Taylor, Dreaney, Vining, McIntosh, Heaman, Davis, Greer and Bowman

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

were read as follows:—

Application for a grant of $1,000 towards the support of the Mechanics' Institute Library and Reading Room —Thos Green. No. 1.

W. M. Crosby and other residents of East Nelson street, between Colborne and Maitland, asking for a sidewalk. No. 2

From Henry Johnson, complaining of carelessness of watering cart drivers causing a leakage from hydrant at Piccadilly and Richmond streets, which floods his premises and makes a nuisance. No 2.

From J. E. Dawson, appeal against income tax of $21 80 for 1886, as he was not in the G. T. R. service that year. No 1.

E. Beltz, of the I. O. O. F., appeal against assessment of $29,200 on Oddfellows' Hall, the value of the building being $25,000, and as the Order is a charitable one it should be assessed for $20,000. Court of Revision.

The estimates of the Police Commissioners' expenditures for current year, $20,834.25. No. 1

From M. Jarman and eight others of Kent street, praying that the street watering there be discontinued. No. 3.

From G. F. Ryder and other residents and business men of the west side of Wellington street, south of the track, against moving the sidewalk out in that locality No. 2

A petition setting forth that in the interests of business men, manufacturers and their employes, it is more desirable to hold a holiday on Monday than on Friday, and praying the Council to reconsider their action in naming Friday, August 5th, as the day in favor of some Monday, was received from A. W. Spry and 87 others.

The motion to reconsider was passed.

Ald. Vining submitted a draft of a by-law to make the third Monday in August the Civic Holiday in each year.

It was read twice.

Ald. McDonald moved that August 15th (the third Monday) be the Civic Holiday this year.

Ald. Moule seconded and the motion was carried.

Dr. Campbell and others, asking the Council to take action to protect shade trees from the borer bug. No. 2.

From Street & Becher, on behalf of David Murray's disputed claim for work at Hospital, threatening suit unless paid. No. 3.

From the Western Fair Association, asking leave to expropriate land for Fair purposes. Laid over.

F. Benrison re Market Clerk, and account against Hospital of $21. No 3.

From Robert Avey, A. Lowe and others, for sidewalks No. 2

From the Canada Chemical Manufacturing Co., re encouragement to rebuild their works here. Deferred.

A deputation from the curling club, consisting of Col. Lewis, C. W. Andrus, John Christie, John Marshall and H. Fysh, asked for compensation for their being compelled to move their old skating rink building to make way for the C.P.R.

Mr. Marshall believed they had a title to the land by time of possession. He thought $500 would pay them for their trouble.

Moved by Ald. Bowman, seconded by Ald. Hook, *Resolved*—That the Council recommend to the Canada Pacific Railway Company that it is their wish and hereby authorize the sum of $500 be granted to the proprietors of the London Skating Rink Company to settle all and every